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COMMENT OF THE DAY

REFUGEE AID

WITH the United Nations General Assembly meeting later this month it is a fair request before well-meaning people in various parts of the world get down to the thorny problem of how best to help Hongkong refugees that Britain states what assistance it is prepared to accept.

Meeting in Geneva today is the World Federation of United Nations Associations. High on its agenda is the Colony's refugee problem. This evidence of concern for a problem that all recognise has been thrust upon Hongkong because of its proximity to China, is welcome. And people in this Colony have been clamouring for many years to have the refugee problem recognised as a world responsibility.

NOT ENDED

MORE than seven years have elapsed since this mass immigration started—and it has not ended yet. United Nations investigators have visited the Colony and various technical obstacles have resulted in long procrastination over the provision of international aid. The result is that Hongkong has borne the burden itself.

Latest reports suggest that this year there is a better chance of agreement on aid of some kind than ever before, but there seems to be growing opposition here to the idea of United Nations team of experts coming to the Colony to administer any scheme that may be devised. Those who clamour for aid, it seems, would like it on the universally popular terms of "no strings attached."

WHY NOT NOW?

AND surely the Hongkong Government has shown its resourcefulness and its thorough understanding of the refugee people's plight. It does not need advice and it probably feels that refugee aid could best be administered without other authorities imposing themselves on the scene, albeit an alien and complicated scene.

The British Government's feeling may be to wait until the United Nations debate on this question begins before expressing its feelings; this would be the proper course, but in view of the fact that the subject of Hongkong refugees is already the subject of much discussion and planning by various interested organisations, would it not save time and effort everywhere if it declared its attitude now?

HOTEL SURVEY

ONE of Hongkong's biggest tourist problems is the lack of first-class hotels. Many projects are in the course of planning but it would be interesting to know whether it would be possible to assess the amount of accommodation needed. One report says tourist traffic in Europe and Pacific is increasing by 30 to 40 per cent every year but rather than simply declaring that potentialities here are unlimited, would it not be better to work out a target figure for say, the next two years?

NEEDED

IF the Colony's Tourist Association could virtually guarantee that this accommodation would be taken up at least it would suggest obvious channels for investment both to local financiers and overseas operators.

Can a survey be made of accommodation showing exactly what is available in various grades, what is being built and what is needed? And for the benefit of existing hotels wishing to make improvements could visiting travel experts or overseas hotel proprietors provide essential information on the standards expected by overseas tourists?

BIG SCHOOLS EXPANSION PLAN

100,000 More Places For Children

By A STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Director of Education, the Hon. D. J. S. Crozier, has told the China Mail about "our aim to give every child in Hongkong a basic education" involving a massive building programme which will give the Colony another 116 primary schools in the next few years, and places for almost 100,000 more children.

A total of 48 new primary schools — enough to take another 27,882 children — will be completed before March 31, 1958, he said. Thirty would be rural schools.

Shepilov's Appointment Unknown

London, Sept. 2.

A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman here said "we know nothing" of reports that Mr. Dmitri Shepilov, a member of the Kremlin "anti-party group", had been appointed a professor in the Soviet Far East.

Another spokesman for the State Committee for Relations with Foreign Countries, said "he may have been given this job but we are not interested in this question."

Soviet policy, as when Mr. Georgi Malenkov was made director of an Asian hydro-electric station and Mr. Lazar Kaganovich became director of a cement works in the Urals, is that there are routine minor appointments unworthy of publicity.

All three, with Mr. Molotov, former Foreign Minister now appointed Ambassador to Outer Mongolia, were stripped of their ministerial posts last July when the "anti-party group" was denounced.

Meanwhile the Moscow metro station named after Kaganovich has reverted to its old name of "Hunters' Row." No formal announcements have been made but the necessary changes to the metro signs are already being carried out.—Reuter.

Highlander Dies At 104

Durban, Sept. 2.

Hugh Fraser Ross, the oldest surviving ex-serviceman of the Gordon Highlanders, died in Durban today aged 104.

Only nine days ago he sat up in bed at hospital here and demanded champagne to celebrate his "recovery" after weeks of falling health.

"Dead," he declared then. "Of course not. Old soldiers never die."

Hospital authorities decided he was not fit enough for champagne, or for the chewing tobacco he requested.

He was unable to return to his own recipe for good health—three pints of stout a day.—China Mail Special.

Helen Haye Dead

London, Sept. 2.

English actress Helen Haye died last night in a London clinic after an illness of only three days, it was learned today. She was 53 years old. As an instructor of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, she trained Charles Laughton, Sir John Gielgud, Flora Robson, and many other stage and screen stars.

Miss Haye made her stage debut in 1898.—France-Press.

The Cane For Prince Charles

If Necessary

London, Sept. 2.

Eight-year-old Prince Charles will get the cane "in the customary place" if he misbehaves at his new school, Cheam, near Newbury, Berkshire, the headmaster said today.

Cheam school, where Charles' father, the Duke of Edinburgh, went, invited reporters to look the place over today and ask questions. Mr. Mark Wheeler, 54, one of the joint headmasters, was asked if Prince Charles was liable to have the stick.

He said: "He will be treated just the same as other boys. But many go through school without it."

The 50 boys at Cheam get up at 7.15 am when the bell rings, go down for prayers on the second bell at 7.50, then file past the headmaster—who shakes each boy by the hand—on the way to breakfast at 8.

WORK STARTS

Work starts in 40-minute periods—from 9 am onwards, with a milk and buns break, then there is the rest period known as "digest" which

Prince Charles will spend on his bed. When he is older—he is nine in November—he can spend it at his desk reading books, but not comics.

The bell goes again at 2.15 pm when the boys change for games from 2.30 until 4, when they take a shower and a glass of milk before afternoon school from 4.25 until 5.50. Then comes high tea at 6, and bed at 6.30 for the younger boys.—Reuter.

Mile-High Buildings Advocated

New York, Sept. 2.

Famed American architect Frank Lloyd Wright has proposed to replace all of New York's present buildings by two mile-high skyscrapers.

In a television interview over the weekend, Wright urged spectators to imagine what a beautiful place New York would be, if it were merely grass and two mile-high skyscrapers.

The two buildings would hold all of the city's population, he said.

The 53-year-old architect has already made a similar proposal to the City of Chicago.—France-Press.

HK Consul Named

Tokyo, Sept. 2.

The Foreign Office today named Yoshimitsu Ando as the new Japanese Consul-General in Hongkong.

Ando was a Counsellor in the Foreign Ministry's Asian Affairs Bureau before he was given the Hongkong post.

Previously he served with the Japanese Embassy in Washington.—United Press.

RUSSIAN AND NATO FLEETS WILL CLASH

London, Sept. 2.

RUSSIA announced tonight it would begin massive naval manoeuvres next week in Arctic waters off the coast of Norway — where Western powers are to hold sea exercises at the same time.

Moscow Radio broadcast a warning to shipping to stay clear of the Barents and Kara Sea

areas, where it said the Soviet manoeuvres would be held from September 10 to October 15.

The Soviet broadcast warned that Russian ships would be using "different types of modern weapons" in the big Arctic manoeuvres.

Naval forces of North Atlantic Treaty Organization members are planning to hold a

manoeuvre, "Operation Strikeback", with more than 150 ships taking part, in the North and Norwegian seas from September 19 to September 28.

The Soviet Defence Ministry warning of the impending manoeuvres was broadcast in both Swedish and English.—United Press.

HIGH AND DRY SUNFISH



The look of surprise on this 6 cwt Queensland, Australia, sunfish — was almost matched by the looks on the faces of these early morning bathers who found it high and dry at Bronte. Frolicking around at high tide, it got into Bronte rock pool and was trapped when the tide receded. It fought for three hours to get over the rocks to deep water. — Keystone Photo.

JAMAICAN RAIL DISASTER DEATH TOLL RISES TO 175

400 Reported Injured

Kingston, Sept. 2.

Nine carriages of a 12-carriage train carrying 1,500 persons on a weekend Roman Catholic tourist excursion plunged into a ravine last night. Officials said 175 were killed and about 400 injured. The excursion was led by two American-born Roman Catholic priests but all others on the train were believed to be Jamaicans, the spokesman said.

Major David Smith, aide to the Governor of this British West Indian Island in the Caribbean, said it was the worst train wreck in Jamaican history this morning. "It's certainly a major disaster," Smith added.

He said some of the injured were not expected to live.

The train was carrying a tour group organised by Father Charles Joseph Eberle, 58, of St. George's College, Kingston, and Henry J. Malette, 38, pastor of St. Ann's Church in Kingston. Father Eberle formerly lived in Boston. Malette is a native of Springfield, Massachusetts.

Father Eberle escaped unhurt. Malette was injured. He was taken to a nearby hospital.

Smith said the excursion train had gone from Kingston to Montego Bay and was en route back to Kingston when the wreck occurred at 11.15 o'clock last night about a half mile from Kendall.

Telescoped

He said coaches smashed into one another, telescoping and trapping most of the victims in the wreckage. One coach climbed up an embankment on one side of the ravine.

Some of the cars were smashed. But Major Smith said many of the passengers in the telescoped cars were trapped with broken arms and legs until every available doctor, nurse,

Blood Donors

An island-wide appeal was made for blood donors to help in the emergency.

Police and other officials worked throughout the night and day to compile casualty lists.

The number of known dead and injured continued to mount during the day, and survivors began to tell stories of their night of terror.

The scene of the wreck was several hundred yards away from the main road to Balaclava, where the island's previous worst rail tragedy occurred in 1938, when 50 persons were killed.

Witnesses said the train, hauled by a diesel locomotive, was travelling at an unusually fast clip and was swaying as it approached an "S" curve near Kendall.

Suddenly, there was a jerk and a crash, which observers said sounded like an earthquake.

Diesel Detached

The diesel detached itself and stopped some distance ahead, but the coaches were derailed. Five fell and piled up in a gully.

Two coaches were reduced to matchwood, while others were gutted. Two other coaches were trapped in a narrow, rocky abutment where one was demolished and the other had its sides torn off.—United Press.

Morrison Hill Bones Identified

The human bones found at Morrison Hill last week have been identified, it was officially announced this morning.

They were identified by the Government forensic Pathologist, Dr. T. M. Teoh.

★ The bones were found to belong to people of Chinese race.

★ And that they were the remains, not of six but 25 people.

★ Also the bones of a number of children were found among them.

Dr. Teoh's findings therefore disprove the theory that the bones belonged to Indian troops, allegedly massacred near Morrison Hill by the Japanese after they surrendered in December, 1941.

At one time the Police were considering asking the Army's Special Investigation Branch to see if they could identify the remains, but Dr. Teoh's findings obviate the need for this.

CONTINUING

A Government official told the China Mail this morning that Dr. Teoh was continuing his investigations.

He was now trying to ascertain how these people met their death.

It is believed that this part of Morrison Hill, now being excavated for the construction of a school, was a burial ground during the Japanese occupation of Hongkong.

As soon as the mystery of the bones has been solved the remains will be handed to the Sanitary Division of the Urban Services Department for burial.

MURDERS INCREASE IN BRITAIN

London, Sept. 2.

The Daily Express today echoed public anxiety at the growing number of murders in Britain.

Seven in as many days is too many, said the paper.

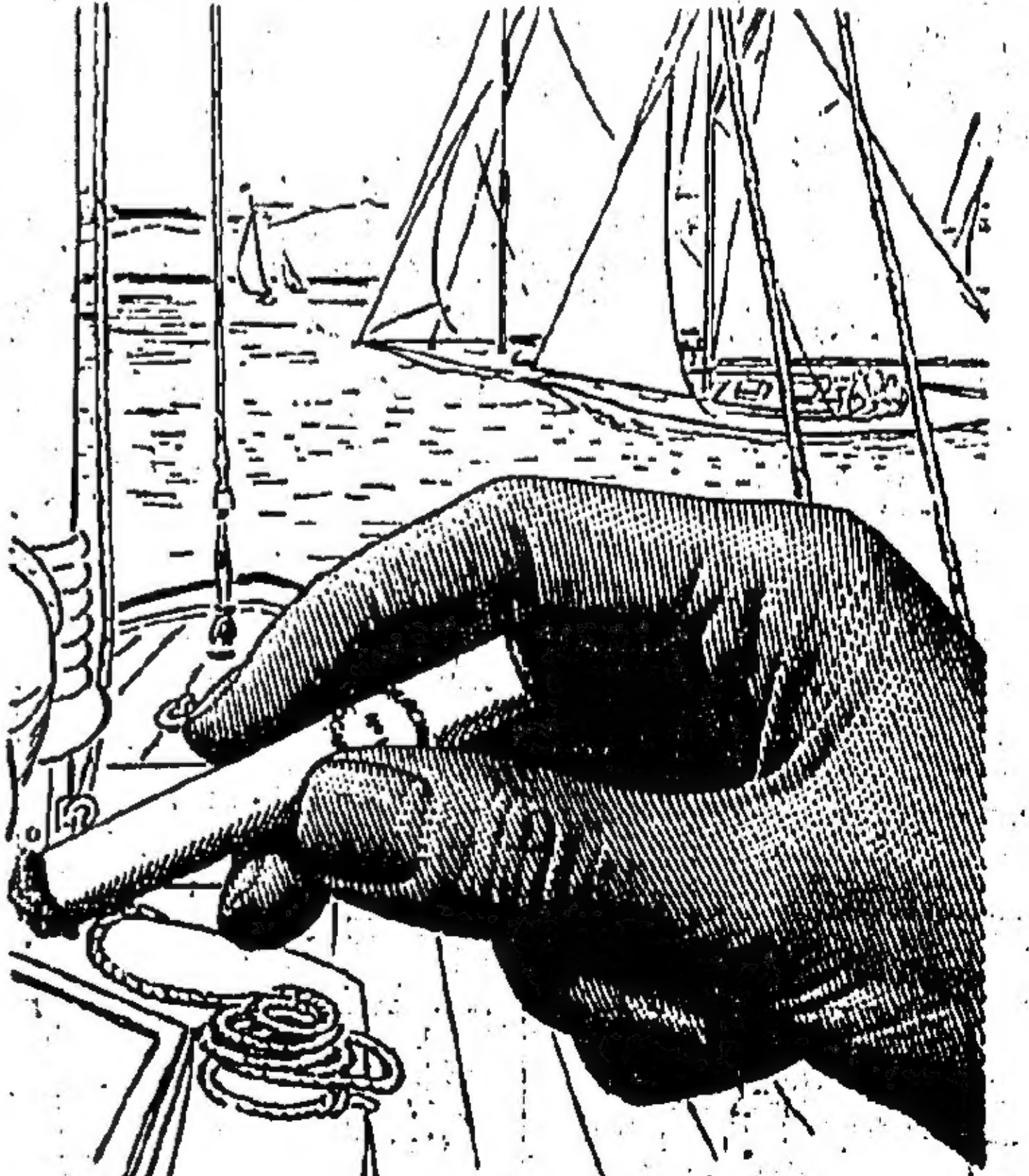
Recalling that there were 17 murders at large in the country, the paper said that there had been 80 murders since March 21, the date at which the new law on murder came into force.

Under this law, only certain categories of murder carry capital punishment.—France-Press.

Repatriates

New Delhi, Sept. 2.

Up to August 1 last, 73 Chinese citizens had been repatriated to China from the United States through the good offices of the Indian Embassy in Washington. It was officially announced here today.—France-Press.



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STASSEN STILL OPTIMISTIC

Believes Russia Has Not Closed The Door Yet

By ANTHONY ULLSTEIN

Washington, Sept. 2. Harold E. Stassen flew back to the London disarmament talks today confident that Russia has not closed the door on the latest Western arms proposal.

Despite a denunciation of the plan by Russia's disarmament negotiator Valerian A. Zorin, Stassen told newsmen he will continue to press the proposal when the arms talks resume tomorrow.



HAROLD STASSEN

We should be patient and persistent.

He said he believes Russia shares an interest with the West in avoiding another war and that the United States therefore will continue its "patient and persistent" efforts to this end. Stassen, the US representative at London, left Washington National Airport at 1810 GMT on the first leg of the London flight after a 45-minute Labour Day conference with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles at the Secretary's home.

Conference

Stassen declined to discuss details of his talk with Dulles. A reporter asked if, as an outgrowth of today's conference, the United States would have anything new to present to the London party. "We feel we have presented, last Thursday, a major move with support of a large number of the states of the free world, which if accepted by the Soviet Union would definitely improve prospects of lasting peace," Stassen replied.

Explaining

"We will be explaining these proposals to an additional degree at the coming session." A reporter inquired if this meant that Stassen felt that Russia, despite its recent out-of-hand rejection of the Western plan, had not actually closed the door on it. "That's right," he replied. "The mutual interest in avoiding modern war is so large we feel we should be patient and persistent in these negotiations," United Press.

London, Sept. 2. Japanese and Canadian groups who attended last month's Youth Festival in Moscow left Peking for home today after a fortnight's tour of China. —United Press.

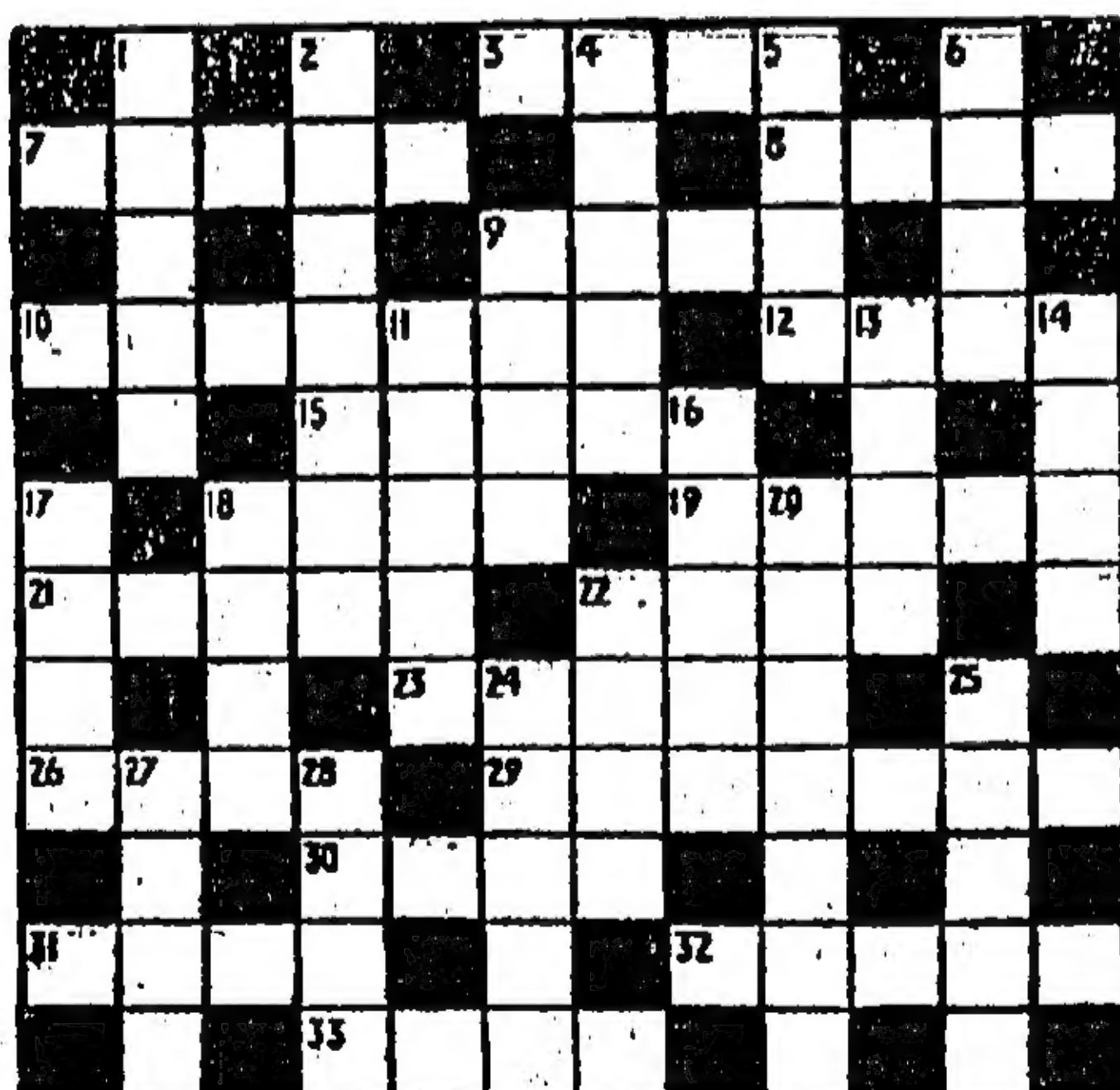
SMUGGLED ARMS FOUND

Beirut, Sept. 2. The Lebanese police seized 30 automatic rifles, 15 pistols and 50,000 rounds of ammunition smuggled into Lebanon from Syria in the past 48 hours, it was announced tonight.

Five people, including a girl and two Syrians were arrested.

Most of the confiscated weapons have Egyptian markings the police said, but official sources believe that ordinary arms smugglers without specific political objectives were involved. —Reuters.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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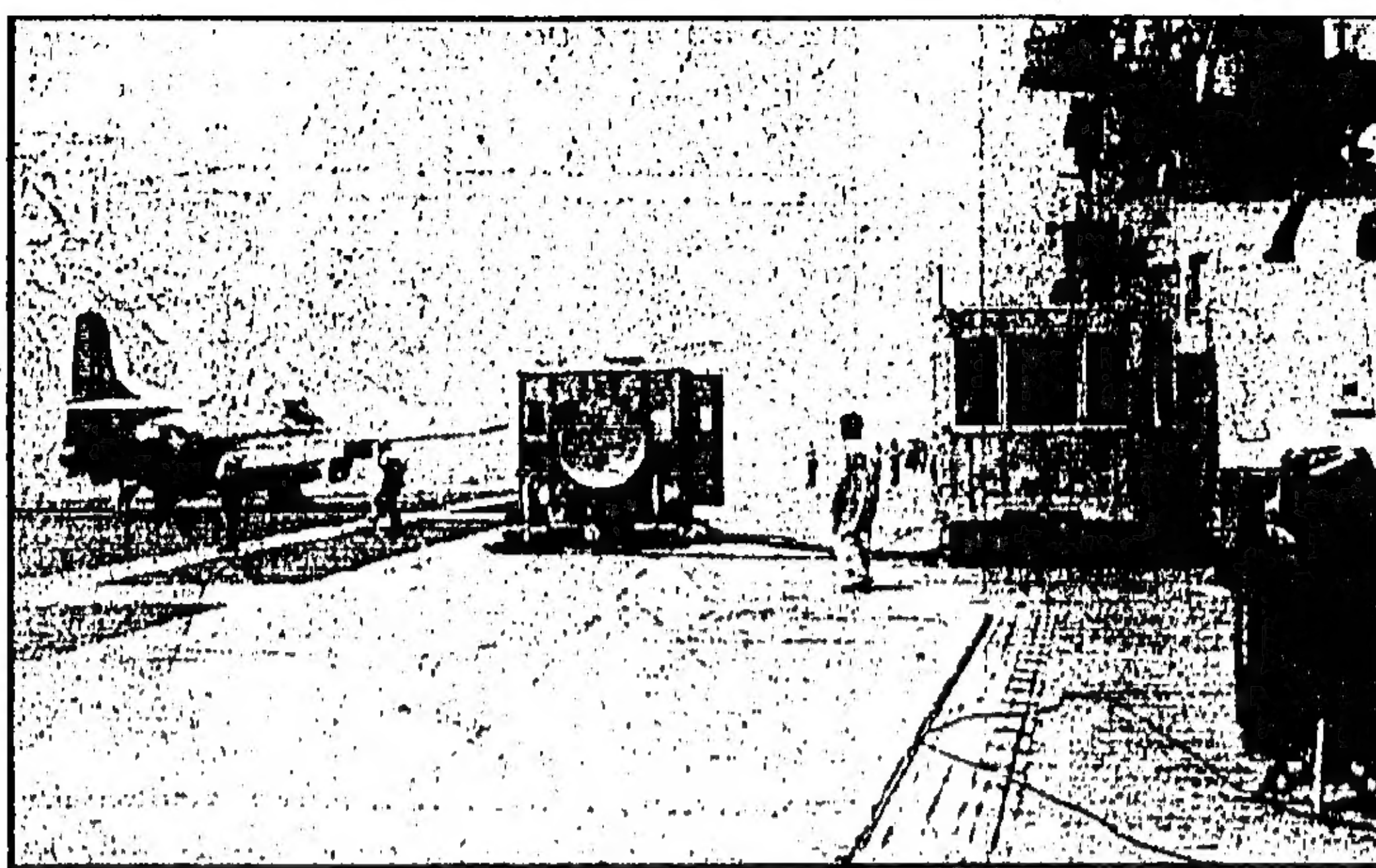
- 3 Imitate a fish? (4).
- 7 Dragged along (5).
- 8 Press one's suit? (4).
- 9 Filament (4).
- 10 Clothing (7).
- 12 The nervous go about on it (4).
- 15 Blizzes? (5).
- 18 House with a spoon, perhaps (4).
- 19 The top of the wedding cake? (5).
- 21 Not up to the mark (5).
- 22 Ominous date (4).
- 23 Down duck (5).
- 24 Trespasser's permit (4).
- 25 River of wine (7).
- 30 Cricket ground (4).
- 31 Not very generous (4).
- 32 Walked by multitudes? (5).
- 33 Merry song (4).

DOWN

- 1 Almost defunct military formation (5).
- 2 Goes away (7).
- 3 Open country in Kent? (5).
- 4 Deep mud (4).
- 6 Medal that may be struck (4).
- 9 One expecting to succeed? (4).
- 11 Elevate—Cain, perhaps (5).
- 13 Singing (4).
- 14 They may be cracked (4).
- 16 Tears without back? (5).
- 17 Complains about the fish? (4).
- 18 They're wicked (4).
- 20 Oats etc. (7).
- 22 Graven—(4).
- 24 This maybe (5).
- 25 Flying tree? (5).
- 27 Last word (4).
- 28 Very low price (4).

MONDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Fracas, 7 Ewer, 9 Balg, 10 Local, 11 Alto, 13 Trying time, 16 Frog, 19 Nest, 20 Despondent, 22 Ewer, 24 Opera, 25 Elite, 27 Skewer. Down: 2 Rally, 3 Clean, 4 Solilo, 5 Decamped, 6 Felt, 8 Water, 12 Onset, 13 Fence, 14 Interest, 17 Adopt, 18 Appeals, 20 Niece, 21 Exile, 22 Wood.

AUTOMATIC CARRIER LANDING SYSTEM



The Bell Automatic carrier landing system has successfully completed all land trials and is installed aboard the USS Antietam CVS 36 for actual carrier flight operations at sea. This system is com-

pletely automatic, highly mobile, and is a combination of radio and radar. Radar locates the airplane and determines its altitude and position in relation to the carrier deck. An electronic computer does the rest, sending the necessary

course corrections to a device which directs the airplane into the desired flight pattern. The system takes into account the carrier's movement. If the airplane is not in the best attitude for a safe landing, the system automatically sends the airplane around for another attempt. This system will not only make all weather flights possible but can be used to land pilots who are either wounded or overly fatigued after flying long missions. Photo shows Navy F-3D aircraft taxiing forward after a successful landing aboard the USS Antietam using the Bell automatic carrier landing system. Guidance and control units are seen at the right of the picture.—Keystone Photo.

GUIDED WEAPONS DISPLAYED AT FARNBOROUGH

By FRASER WIGHTON

Farnborough, Sept. 2. Electrifying aerobatics by planes in the 1,500 miles-an-hour class climaxed the opening here today of the British aircraft constructors annual display. Test pilot Peter Twiss held a vast crowd of visitors from many parts of the world spellbound as he lunged the Fairey delta research aircraft—holder of the world's absolute speed record—about the skies at close to the speed of sound.

COMPETITIVE CONDITIONS NEEDED IN AIRLINES

Washington, Sept. 2. The Anti-Trust Subcommittee of the House of Representatives today called for restoration of "competitive conditions" in the International Air Transport Association.

In a report, largely criticizing domestic airline operations and relations between them and the Government's Civil Aeronautics Board, the subcommittee called on the Board to re-examine its approval of international air fare regulation through the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

The report suggested that the Board, as far as US flag airlines were concerned, should take over establishment of international fares for American carriers and not leave them to an "international cartel."

MONOPOLISTIC

The IATA mechanism had resulted in "substitution of monopolistic price fixing for the principle of free competition." In International Air Transportation, a fundamental element of free enterprise has been abandoned without the substitution of effective government controls. "The subcommittee believes the time to restore competitive conditions to the international air transport industry is long overdue," —Reuters.

Flood Relief

Tokyo, Sept. 2. Chinese planes, tugboats, barges and junks were reported today rushing to the relief of flood victims along the Sungari River north of the Manchurian City of Harbin. The New China News Agency reported today that dykes along the Sungari, about 62 miles north of Harbin, had been breached last Friday by strong wind whipped waters of the swollen river. —United Press.

The Fairey delta broke the world record with a speed of 1,132 miles per hour last year, and still holds the honour.

OFFICIAL BAN

An official ban on sonic bangs prevented the fliers from exceeding the speed of sound—760 miles an hour at sea level—but several fliers came within a knot of bursting the barrier. One was the English Electric PB-1 which recently achieved an unofficial speed of 1,500 miles an hour and which in the hands of test pilot Roland Beamont brought spectators to their feet with gasps as he flashed across the airstrip like a streak.

Another new supersonic machine which gave a spectacular performance was the Saunders-Roe 53 which has rocket motors as well as jet propulsion, and "carried guided missiles." This display lifted the curtain on British progress with guided missiles of which only one has previously been shown publicly.

IT RIVALLED

In extent it rivalled the guided weapons display at last year's International Air Show at Zurich and included these weapons:

The De Havilland Firestreak—an air to air weapon for fighters using infrared guidance and enabling the missile to "home" on heat sources such as those provided by aero engines.

The English Electric Thunderbird—a surface to air anti-aircraft weapon which "homes" on reflections of the target provided by ground radar. It uses rocket propulsion.

The Fairey Fireflash—a Royal Air Force air to air weapon for training in beam guidance.

The Bristol Bloodhound—a surface to air anti-aircraft weapon in production for the Royal Air Force.

The Armstrong Whitworth Sea Venom—a surface to air anti-aircraft weapon for the Royal Navy, to be used on guided missiles destroyers. —China Mail Special.

English Abolished

Trivandrum, Sept. 2. The newly-elected Communist government of Kerala State (India) today decided on the progressive elimination of English as the official state language. It will be gradually replaced by Malayalam, the mother tongue of 14,000,000 in the state. —France-Press.

A-POWERED MISSILE DENIED

Los Angeles, Sept. 2. A spokesman for the North American Aviation Company said today he knew nothing of a new revolutionary atomic-powered missile his company was reported to have produced. Asked about a report that the company was producing a new ballistic missile which would be powered by atomic energy and which would supersede any intercontinental ballistic missile now in production, the spokesman replied: "We know nothing about such a rocket."

DIRECTORSHIP

The report appeared in a European newspaper which said the project was under the directorship of Dr. Hans Friedrich, who helped to design Germany's V-1 and V-2 missiles during the Second World War.

In Washington, Defence Department officials continued to refuse to comment on reports that the United States had fired the intermediate range missile Thor, early in June.

A Defence Department spokesman also refused to comment on a report appearing in the Miami Daily News, Florida, which said that the United States had fired the Atlas missile about 2,400 miles over the Atlantic from Florida. —Reuters.

ANOTHER DIES

Calcutta, Sept. 2. The steward of an Indian Airlines Corporation Dakota involved in a collision with a British Hermes aircraft at Dum Dum Airport yesterday died in hospital today, bringing the death toll to four. —Reuters.

'Satan's Medicine' Causes Blindness Among Africans

Bulawayo, Sept. 2.

Much blindness among Africans in the Central African Federation is due to the use of harmful native medicines, according to the annual report of the British Empire Society for the Blind.

A survey in Northern Rhodesia revealed that one person in every 44 was blind, and that 30 of that number had lost their sight before they were 10. One-third of all children of school-age were blind.

In 80 per cent of the cases, blindness resulted from measles followed by the use of "Satan's medicine." The medicine men use an extraordinary variety of herbs, roots, berries, powders, shells and stones, and other ingredients, some of which, by their chemical action or because of the filthy manner of their preparation, can irreparably destroy an eye in a matter of hours.

PROGRESSING

Centres for blind are being organised and work is progressing steadily with emphasis on the needs of those in rural and tribal areas.

In Southern Rhodesia a travelling clinic, staffed by eye specialists have completed three surveys of Matabeleland.

In Nyasaland, it has been decided to establish two village training centres for the blind, and in Northern Rhodesia there will be a central training establishment for African teachers of the blind throughout the territory. —France-Press.

CHINESE EMBASSY ACCUSED

Rangoon, Sept. 2. Rangoon's biggest English language morning paper, The Nation, today accused the Chinese Communist Embassy here of using Burma as the base of operations for the "free Thai" movement.

In an editorial the newspaper alleged that exiled Thai leaders had come to Rangoon as "guests" of the Chinese Embassy recently and they "had made extensive local contacts" during their stay.

THAI EXILES

The Thai exiles, The Nation said, could have come to Burma only through the airline which Communist China operates.

Such action, The Nation said, could embarrass Burma's relations with Thailand. "We trust the Government will initiate an investigation into this most serious matter and warn China that it will not tolerate Burma being used as a centre for China's subversive aims," the paper said. —Reuters.

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Miss Collins brushes up her politics

I HAVE BEEN NEGLECTING WORLD AFFAIRS, SHE SAYS

JOAN COLLINS, who can always be depended upon to be as stunning as a straight right to the jaw, received me wearing a Japanese kimono of silvery silk and pearls. The two set in gold on her finger were freshwater pearls, which she described as looking like "somebody's old dental filling."

She informed me that she was embarking upon a programme of self-improvement; I said I found it difficult to imagine what she could improve upon, and Miss Collins said it was her mind that she was alluding to.

I suppose it is the one aspect of her personality that in the past has not been excessively revealed, which, of course, is not to say that it does not exist. To meet Miss Collins and talk about her mind is possibly not every man's dream of Heaven. It can also be disconcerting because intellectual conversation tends to make Miss Collins wriggle about, with the result that her kimono does not reach as far as kimonos are supposed to reach. But I must not digress: It is Miss Collins's mind that we are examining.

"I desperately want to catch up with world affairs," said Miss Collins. "I have been rather neglecting them lately."

World Travel

I said I didn't quite see that hadn't she been having dates with Mr Arthur Loew, Junior,

LIMELIGHT
by THOMAS
WISEMAN



the millionaire's son, all round the world?

Miss Collins pulled her kimono down several inches, so that it now covered her knees and said it wasn't to affairs of that kind that she was referring. It was politics and international relationships — between countries.

Also, said Miss Collins, she wanted to become a better actress so that she could have respect for herself; a body might be enough for the public but a girl could not go through her whole life congratulating herself upon having a body.

"I want to be able to do a play on Broadway," she said,

"and get good reviews for a change."

Speaking of self-improvement — of a non-intellectual nature — was she going to marry Mr Loew? "I am not too thrilled by the idea of marriage," said Miss Collins. "You will remember I have had one experience of wedlock (to actor Maxwell Reed, from whom she was finally divorced). You can certainly say that I am not going to marry Mr Loew—yet."

Best in Bed

I asked what else she was planning to do of an educational nature. She said she was going to take singing lessons and dancing lessons and read books.

And she was going to learn Spanish while she slept.

"Yes," said Miss Collins, "I've bought one of those record courses which you play when you go to bed and then while I sleep your subconscious mind does all the learning for you."

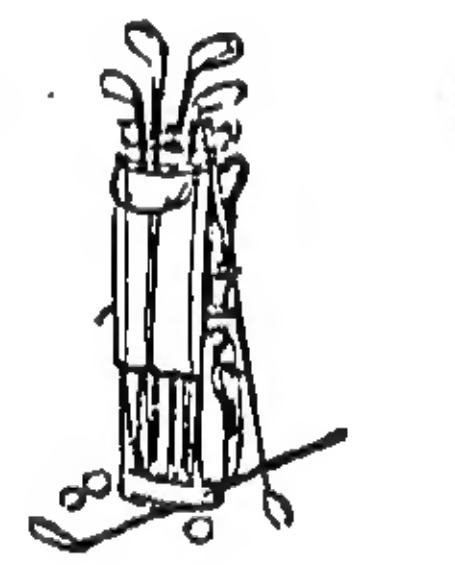
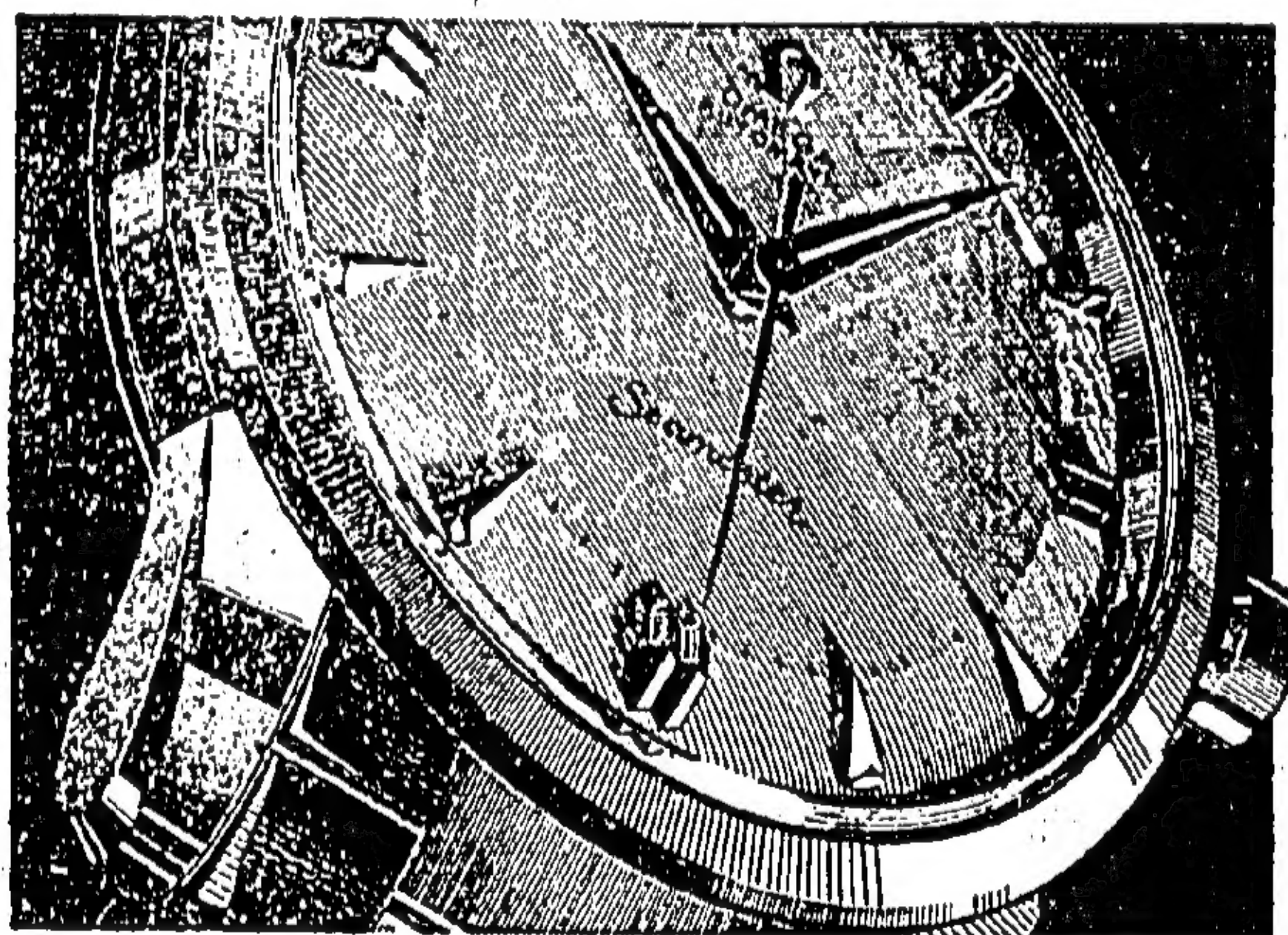
"And how's your Spanish these days?" I inquired.

"Well, so far," she said, "I haven't had an opportunity to try it out."

But next time Miss Collins is sent out to film in equatorial Africa, I wouldn't be a bit surprised if she came back speaking fluent Spanish. Whatever the disadvantages of being in remote and inaccessible parts of the world, out there a girl's subconscious does get more opportunity to learn Spanish.

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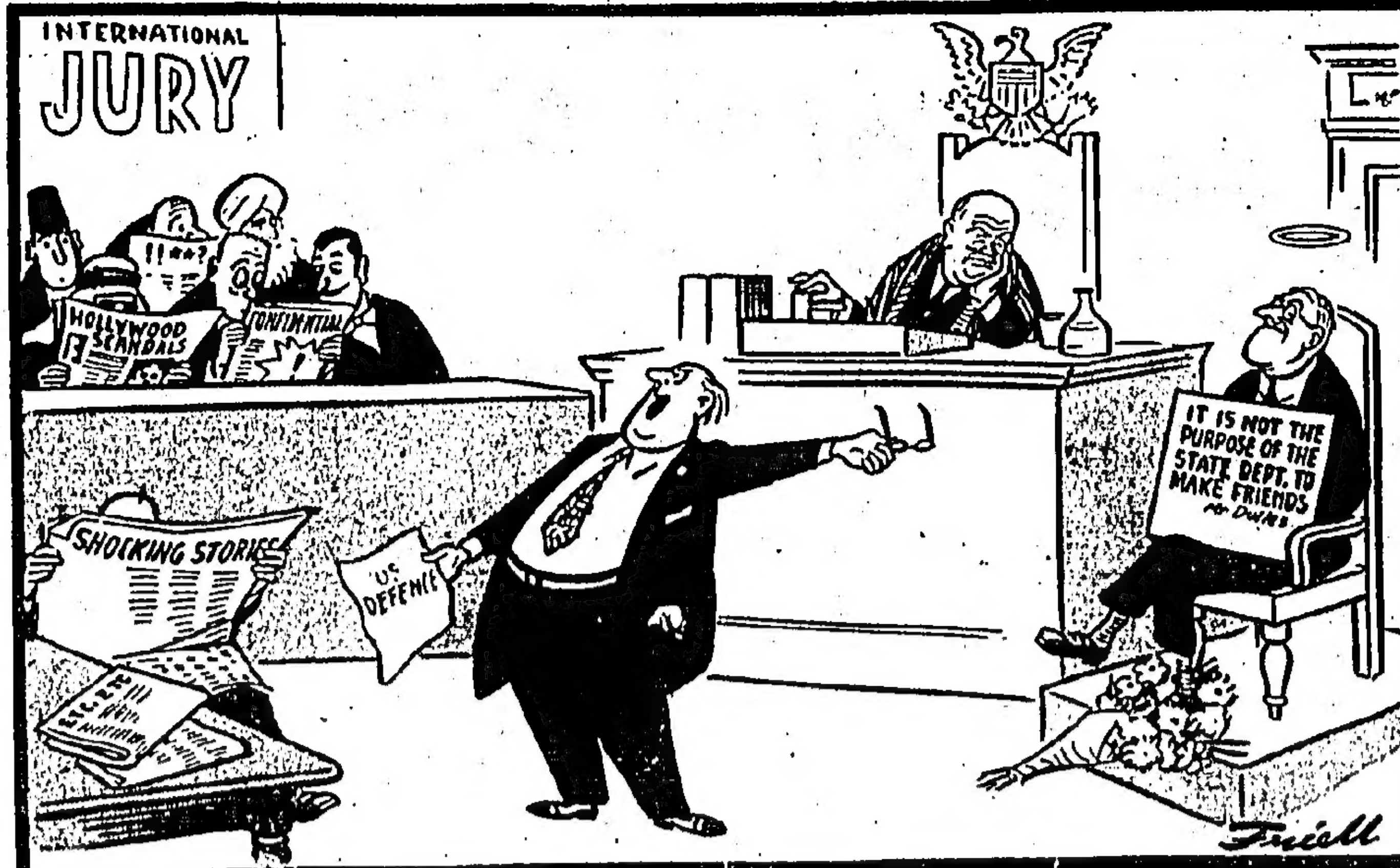
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LONDON EXPRESS SERVICE

WHY I'M A HERETIC IN HOLLYWOOD

I HAVE never seen Hollywood in such a panic. It is setting up a "Vigilantes Committee" in the film industry to try to make sure that "it can never happen again."

Stars take off in droves for Mexico, Canada, and the Pacific Isles anxious to avoid being "slapped with a subpoena."

There is agitated talk of He-detecter tests. A flash from London that affidavits are missing from the Bond Street offices of Confidential magazine causes new tremors.

A famous Hollywood director told me: "This thing will set us back 20 years. It is a public relations disaster."

I do not have to tell you why all this is so.

The "Confidential trial," now starting on its third week, dominates everyone's mind and most people's conversation, though I hear that many prominent film men have agreed to ban all mention of it at their dinner parties and pool-side cockfights.

The other night, at what I suppose you could call a typical Hollywood party they had a lien (thruared to a lie) because the host was a famous astrologer and he was born under Leo. (The lion cost £45 to hire for the evening.)

But I soon noticed that the people to whom I was introduced, while chatting affably at first, tended to wince, murmur an excuse, and fade rapidly away when they discovered why I am in Hollywood.

NEEDLESS.

BUT is all the gloom really justified? I would say not. I would say that Hollywood is in a quite needless panic.

I would say that, far from damaging the movie industry, the Confidential trial may give it the biggest shot in its collective arm that it has had in a long time.

And I would further say that whatever be the outcome of the trial, the movie industry, the terrible or otherwise shocking allegations that we have heard about this Maureen O'Hara, they have done her absolutely no harm at all as far as box office is concerned, and that any of her films released right now would almost certainly play to bumper houses. I contend that what the public craves for in its movie heroes and heroines is some of the old time colour and dash.

I think that the public everywhere is just a little bit sick of actors who are models of good behaviour, who pay off their mortgages and play week-end golf just like stockbrokers.

This is a most heretical view and I do not suppose I shall find anyone in this huge area who would agree with me.

On the contrary for the earl of Beverly Hills the most important thing in the world tonight is Maureen O'Hara's passport.

DENIAL

FOR the flame-haired Irish actress came out with a spirited statement that the stampings in her passport (she became a U.S. citizen some time back) prove beyond a doubt that she was in Spain and England in November 1933, which is when she is alleged to have taken part in a shocking incident in row 25 of the stalls in Grauman's Chinese Theatre here in Hollywood.

Moreover, she wants more than anything else to get on to the witness stand in the Los Angeles Hall of Justice and state under oath the allegations made by James

Craig, of St. John's Wood, London, the former assistant manager of Grauman's Theatre, who flew from London to give evidence.

And, to give added impact to her words, Maureen announces that she is putting the damages which she seeks from Confidential from 1,000,000 to 5,000,000 dollars.

(She is bringing a civil libel action against the magazine quite separate from the criminal libel charges made by the State of California and which are at present being heard in court.) So a good deal hangs on that passport.

The other night in 96 degrees heat I encroached from Los Angeles through the week-end into the Bel Air, beyond Beverly Hills.

Bel Air is something you have never seen in Europe. It is a highly guarded and gloriously luxurious concentration camp for the very rich.

Maureen lives in a small white house which clings to the lip of a precipitous canyon. It is surrounded by eucalyptus trees and flowering azaleas.

Maureen's red head appeared briefly at the window as I walked to the front door. But she retreated and left it to her genial brother Charles Fitzsimons (Fitzsimons is Maureen's real name) to receive me.

Charles, who bears a marked resemblance to his famous sister, led me into the drawing room, lavishly furnished with green upholstered chairs and divans, old English silver and glassware and a vast fireplace framed in glittering gilt.

DORCHESTER

HE discussed matters with me in a matter of fact good humour. "Look," he said, "it is conceivable that my sister would want to misbehave herself in a movie theatre? After all, you know, she has got a big, beautiful bed right here at home. But the point is that she was in Europe at the time."

And he gave me a detailed description of her itinerary from the time she left New York on October 6, 1933, until her return to America on January 11, 1934.

After filming "Fire Over Africa" for Columbia Pictures in Malaga, said Charles, Maureen flew to London on November 20 and stayed at the Dorchester until December 18, when she flew to Ireland to spend Christmas with her mother.

The trial resumed before Judge Herbert Walker, who once long ago had a whirl in films himself. He played in a silent film entitled "Bill the played Bill."

Then hardly had the judge left the Bench than Mrs. Marjorie Meade, who had just rounded on Assistant Attorney-General Clarence Linn, of California, and cried: "That was a dirty, low-down trick you played!"

The Dorchester hotel said that Maureen O'Hara stayed there from November 20 until December 22, 1933.



SCANDAL AND THE BIG INDUSTRY

I don't see this uproar at all as others see it

FROM RENE MACCOLL

Meanwhile, outside in the corridor Paul Gregory, a witness who had accused Mrs. Meade of trying to blackmail him, was explaining to a TV audience what else he would have said in court if he had been allowed to give evidence.

I find it particularly charming, when a couple of times each day, even at the height of the excitement, a postman comes ambling into court, delivers the judge's letters to him, and in... then you will see.

ALL IN A DOCTOR'S DAY—by CEDRIC CARNE

YOU MUST BE ONE OVER THE EIGHT

THERE is a type of mind that leaps to the conclusion that disaster is imminent.

When one man is asked to return for another X-ray he assumes the worst. When another man is referred to a specialist he thinks he is already doomed. People just panic because of ignorance.

Take Hector Jennings. He sat in my consulting room with a face as long as an exclamation mark.

"But doctor, if they gave my wife a transfusion after her operation, surely her condition must be grave?"

Once, blood transfusions, during or after surgery, were given as final desperate measures. Nowadays there is no need for anxiety.

The giving of transfusions after operations is a common procedure. The surgeon orders it whenever a little more blood might benefit the patient.

Of course transfusions are given for other reasons also. Certain anaemias and burns, for example.

HIS DOUBT

MR JENNINGS, though, had another worry. An anxiety that many have though few talk about. His nagging doubt amounted to this: Supposing the blood they give my wife has been given, say, by a murderer?

"After all," Hector Jennings continued, "if I was given blood, would I know who gave it?"

He shared a common dark prejudice. He wrongly assumed that the blood of each person



carries in it the secret of individuality. Though thousands would not contradict this medieval belief, today such a conception is merely a subject for science fiction, and is the joke of science.

"Donors give a pint," Mr Jennings said, "Isn't that a lot to give at one time?"

We all have about nine pints of blood—one over the eight—and a healthy person, in the right age group, can well afford to give one pint away. In less than three months the body manufactures the missing pint again easily.

"All the same," I wouldn't fancy going around with a pint of someone else's blood in my veins for the rest of my life."

Mr Jennings protested. "But the transfusion given does not last very long. It merely uses the patient over when he most needs it, and gives the body time to manufacture its own supply."

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Down Five On Bid Of Two

By OSWALD JACOBY

"I HAD an opening bid and look what happened to me at two clubs," lamented South.

"As long as you keep on making silly overcalls you can expect the roof to fall on you regularly," commented North. "And furthermore, I am the unlucky one at this table." North went on, "Remember, I'm your partner and the loss hurts me as much as you."

North was quite right about South's bid. The fact that a hand is worth an opening bid does not make it worth an over-

NORTH		12	
♠	QJ76		
♥	Q8532		
♦	54		
♣	63		
WEST	EAST (D)		
♠	AK10	♠8543	
♥	1064	♥AK9	
♦	76	♦KQJ109	
♣	QJ1098	♣4	
SOUTH			
♠Q2			
♥J7			
♦A932			
♣AK752			
Both vulnerable			
East	South	West	North
1 ♠	2 ♣	Double	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♠Q			

call at the range of two. In particular there was little or no future to South's hand. He had a nice five-card club suit but he did not really expect to get to a club game. Then he had four cards in diamonds but that was the opponent's bid suit and those cards were not going to be worth much in his side-played hand.

Of course, it is possible to set up some hand where his two-club overcall would have brought in a profit but against that there are so many that produce substantial losses.

The play of the hand was short and bitter. West opened the queen of clubs. Eventually South was able to make his ace and king of clubs and see of diamonds only. Down 1440. Of course East and West had a game but it is very doubtful if they would have reached it if South had kept his silly mouth shut.

♥+CARD+SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
2♥ 2♥ 3NT Pass
4♣ Pass 5♣ Pass
5♥ Pass 5NT Pass
6♣ Pass

You, South, hold:
AK2♥ KJ3♦ J65♣ AQ10874
What do you do?
A—Pass. You like clubs better than diamonds but you have already shown that. Your partner's diamond suit must be able to stand by itself.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding has been:
North East South West
2♥ 2♥ 3NT 7
You, South, hold:
AK2♥ Q1087♦ 65♣ AK1054
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

"MY heart," said George Sand, "is a little cemetery." "You mean a necropolis," replied Sainte-Beuve.

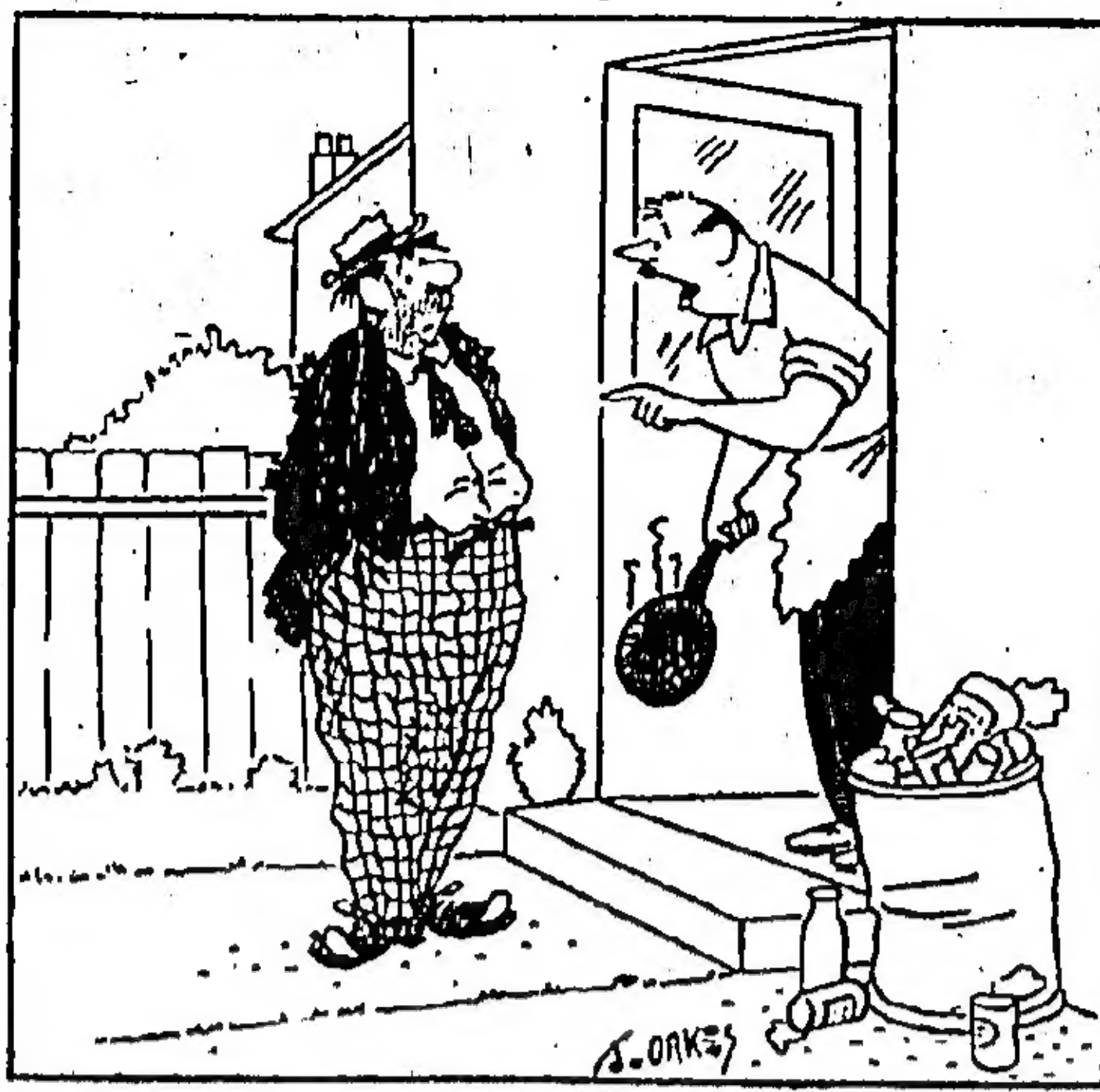
I was reminded of that anecdote by the comment of an actress on a rival. "If all her husbands were laid end to end it would take her a full day to walk over them."

Foulmouth's night out
COMPLAINTS from many yacht-owners have been received by the police at Villenfranche that during the night recently someone painted out the names of their yachts and gave them new ones. Thus Mr Hector Koruthalos appears to own Dirty Dog II; Mr Nikky Aptera, Bath Tub; Mr Zack Zoso, Ocean Sausage; the Rajah of Dhundhuripore, Bombay Duck. In a drifting dinghy were found pots of paint and brushes and a visiting card bearing the inscription: Baron von Huckle and Sineke, the name used by a gentleman who left his hotel by the roof, with his bill unpaid.

Supplementary news items

A MAN who looked a stall at a martine in the West End stood up, turned his back on the stage, and watched the performance through his legs. "It is a new angle on Art," he said to a programme girl in the interval.

This Funny World



"Can you cook?"

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

BORN today, you have a versatile mind, a vivid imagination, a quick eye for detail and the ability to express yourself by the written word. You have a deep love and appreciation of Mother Nature and will probably be happiest if you spend most of your time in the country where you can enjoy the beauties of the full. You seem to gain inspiration from this type of life which you cannot secure from mechanized, urban living.

There is a deep religious side to your nature and this must find some positive expression if you are to have lasting contentment or happiness. You have set a definite goal for yourself and you will probably recognize the importance of vocational training.

You may anticipate considerable financial success if you will concentrate your artistic efforts. Concentration on one objective at a time is what pays the best dividend. Once you have set a definite goal for yourself, strive to reach it without deviation from your objective. This may well bring you fame as well as fortune.

Since you are exceptionally observant, you find it easy to avoid the errors that others make and can go forward with a new boldness without having previous experience. Your intuition is exceptionally keen and you have some gift for occultism. You might find it of value to have your dreams interpreted.

Popular with members of your own sex as well as the opposite sex, you are a social creature. Your marriage should be an exceptionally happy and contented one.

Among those born on this date were: Franz Joseph Haydn, composer; John Drew, Sr. and Alan Ladd, actors; Sarah Orne Jewett, author; Hannah F. Gould, poet, and Frederick Crundin, philanthropist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding horoscope. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

And you will find that they also bring you added business prestige.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Combine social and business activities for the best possible results. Employment affairs are favourable.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—Morning hours are the best for all activities. Get an early start and you can accomplish seemingly impossible things.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Morning hours are fine. After duty is over, you may indulge in social activities, dining, afternoon and evening.

Cancer (June 22-July 23)—If you are a salesman who goes on the road, start out on that selling trip today. The aspects are excellent for you.

Leo (July 24-Aug. 23)—If you have been under the weather lately, this could be a good day to make a visit to the doctor for a check-up.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—A will to succeed and the ability to turn in a sparkling personal performance will get you where you want to go.

Libra (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Children's affairs—shopping for them or perhaps seeing them off to school are in today's picture.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—The influence of mind over matter is probably the important thing for you to remember now. Brain-work pays.

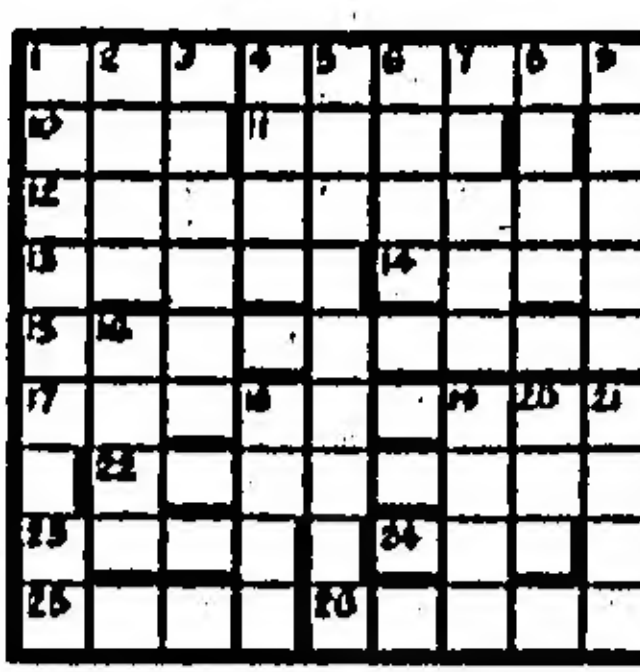
Sagittarius (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—At work, promote your side of an issue. This could be the time when you get out a new decision.

Capricorn (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—Educational matters are now at the top of your mind. Teaching, this time should be your lucky day.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Business and social contacts today. See that you follow some definite plan of action to get exactly what you want.

Pisces (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Consolidate new friendships today.

CROSSWORD

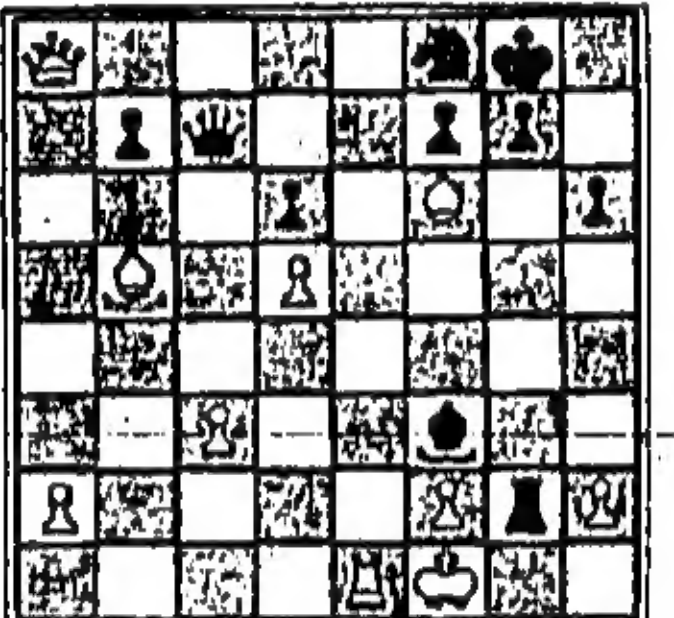


Across
1. This is a dry subject, as it were. (5-4)
10. Boy found in Chianti—but go on! (5)
11. Cattle from one nearly the end. (4)
12. It was offered for fourpence or a government. (6)
13. Widow's one is well known. (5)
14. Book wrote about a lady of old. (4)
15. They regularly bring bills to your notice. (4)
17. You get your cue for this. (6)
22. The shaven is stern at both ends. (6)
23. Red one may be the last. (4)
24. Good for a greeting. (3)
25. Live me on the stage. (4)
26. Paris to go back to the saddle. (6)

Down
1. Pick bench for an involved meaning. (6)
2. Main problem? This is the lion's share. (4)
3. Possibly hardy bloomer. (6)
4. Be no them, ambitious fellow! (4)
5. Speeds up. (6)
6. How often the disaster. (4)
7. Anna makes the most of the town. (6)
8. A trick they follow. (4)
9. Mother Brown's catchy feature. (4)
10. River in two words. (4)
11. How many but he's dead. (4)
12. Bring up. (4)
13. A kind of. (4)
14. Brought up. (4)
15. Bread of the best. (4)
16. A kind of. (4)
17. Brought up. (4)
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CHess

By LEONARD BARDEN



A tense position in which both sides have mating threats:
White: King's Bishop on f5, King's Knight on e4, Queen on d5, Rook on a1, Pawns on d2, e3, f4, g3, h2.
Black: King's Knight on f6, Queen's Knight on d5, Rook on a8, Pawns on a7, b7, c7, d7, e7, f7, g7, h7.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

What's Important?

—Everyone Has His Own Answer to the Question—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow with the turned-about name, went up to his friend General Tin, the Tin Soldier.

"General Tin, sir!" said Knarf.

"Yes," said General Tin. "Could you tell me something?"

The General, who stood very stiff and straight with his musket over his shoulder, nodded and answered: "If I know it, I'll tell it to you."

"What'd I like to know," said Knarf, "is this: What do you think is the most important thing in the world?"

Tin's Answer
"My boy," said General Tin, "in my opinion, the most important thing in the world is water. Without water, the plants would stop growing, and also we'd have nothing to drink."

"That's right," said Knarf. Looking across the room, he now saw Ting-a-Ling, the Chinaman, sitting on the edge of the Blue China Plate. Knarf went over to him. Coming close, Knarf saw that Ting-a-Ling was fishing. His fishing rod hung over the inside of the plate.

Knarf greeted Ting-a-Ling.

"I hope I'm not disturbing you," he said, "but I'd like to ask you a very important question."

"I'm not very busy," said Ting-a-Ling. "I'm only fishing. I'd be glad to answer any question you care to ask me, Knarf."

"I'd like you to tell me," said Knarf, "what you think is the most important thing in the world. Is it water?"

"No," said Ting-a-Ling. "I think the most important thing in the world is fire. Because without fire, people would not be able to keep warm, nor cook food, nor heat up iron so it can be shaped into tools and machines and airplanes and automobiles and knives and forks and millions of other useful things."

"And fire also gives light," said Knarf.

"I almost forgot that," said Ting-a-Ling.

"I guess fire is the most im-

portant thing in the world," said Knarf.

Across the room, Knarf saw Mr. Merlin, the Magnificent Magician, and he went over to him.

"Mr. Merlin," said Knarf, "I'd like to ask you a very important question."

"Ask away," said Mr. Merlin. "What do you think is the most important thing in the world?"

"Of course, it's right," said Mr. Merlin as he vanished, which is something magicians very often do.

Knarf now spied Judy who was Mr. Punch's wife. She was knitting a pair of socks.

"Judy," said Knarf, "could you please tell me what you think is the most important thing in the world?"

"I think it's sunshine," said Judy, "because sunshine makes the grass grow and, if grass grows, the cows get something to eat, and we get milk and butter and cheese. And besides all that, sunshine makes the daytime (because without sunshine, it's night) and sunshine makes the sum-



The new silhouette in Lanvin-Castille's autumn-winter collection has an elongated bust and emphasized hips, with the hemline lifted to 42 to 46 centimetres from the ground. Pictured here is a good example called "Balkia". It is an evening dress of coral tulle, entirely embroidered with tulle. —Agence France-Presse.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A small, soft brush is a bathroom helper for scrubbing the finger tips of gloves, cuff folds, or wax.

Inside is completely coated. When cloth becomes soiled, then pour out all excess polish wash and repeat process.

Fold or roll a clean soft cloth, place in jar or can and close cover tightly. Let stand 24 to 48 hours. When used, dust will adhere to the cloth, and the cloth won't leave a film of polish on furniture surfaces, flammable or explosive.

To make a duster which doesn't just stir up dust so that it lands somewhere else, pour 2 tsp. furniture polish or liquid wax into a clean jar or coffee can. Turn container until the

Knarf greeted Ting-a-Ling, who was fishing.

mer and the winter (the hotter the sunshine, the more it's summer).

"Thank you," said Knarf. "I'm sure you must be right."

Punch Disagrees
"She's not right at all," a voice said.

Knarf saw that it was Mr. Punch, sitting in his rocking chair under the window.

"The most important thing in the world, Knarf, my boy, isn't water or fire or air or sunshine."

"If it's none of those things," said Knarf, "what is it?"

"It's love," said Mr. Punch. "Because, without love—well, nothing would be worth anything at all. Love is the most important thing in the whole wide world!"

VERSATILE SALADS

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

"SALADS certainly are versatile foods, Chef," I remarked.

"Saladettes can be the first course; a substantial meat, poultry, fish, egg, cheese or nutted and legumed salad as a main course; a tossed green salad instead of a green vegetable, either with the main course or after it is served as in France, or as a first course, as served in California."

With Smoked Meats

"In Paris, we often serve cold cooked vegetables vinaigrette in place of a plain beet," said Madame, the Chef, replied. "They are very good with smoked meats or fish."

"Cooked green beans, carrots and peas, cauliflower, asparagus, and red and white cabbage are all excellent with sauce vinaigrette."

"And in Hawaii, Chef, remember the cooked vegetable salads we enjoyed? Vegetables such as beets and carrots, sliced with a little butter before cooking and arranged with cooked whole green beans or green peas in a 3-way design on a bed of lettuce leaves?"

Marinate Vegetables

"The garnish was a red radish, pimiento strip or ripe olive."

"Before arranging, all three vegetables were marinated until

well-chilled in snappy not-sweet French dressing.

"This is very easy to make by adding to ¾ cup plain homemade French dressing, 2 tbsp. cold water and a packet of salad dressing mix."

"Several new kinds are on the market, such as Roquefort, Bleu cheese or old-fashioned garlic."

"Generous servings of cooked vegetable salads can be used instead of hot cooked vegetables—a good change on a warm day. And if the salads are planned ahead, the vegetables cooked in advance, cooked vegetable salads hop into the quick-and-easy class."

Vegetable Salad Bouquet: Peel, dice and cook separately 1 c. each carrots, white turnips, cauliflower, string beans and peas, or use cooked vegetables dressed separately with poppy, not-sweet French dressing.

Drain, cool and arrange in a low bowl or on salad plates in contrasting colours to simulate bouquets. Separate the vegetables by a tracery of minced chives or parsley. Border with lettuce.

Dinner
Vegetable Salad Bouquet
Minute Steaks
Fried Potatoes
Toasted Rolls
Cherry Fruit Cocktail Sundaes
Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea
Milk

Cherry Fruit Cocktail Sundaes: Half-fill large sherbet glasses with chilled citrus cocktail, mixed with pitted sweet cherries and sliced fresh peaches. Top each with a generous scoop of vanilla ice cream.

The Chef Explains "Julienne"

This word "Julienne"—that you sometimes see in recipes, means cutting vegetables, cheese or meat into match-like strips. This method was invented generations ago by a pretty demoiselle named Julienne.

Mighty Markdowns

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Rupert and the Fiddle—11



Feeling very excited at being so near to the mysterious noise, Rupert pushes into the wood. Almost at once he comes face to face with a cheerful young figure. "Why, it isn't Simple Simon!" he exclaims. "Whatever are you doing here? Were you making ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Sept. 2.
Results in tonight's English and Scottish football matches were:

LEAGUE TWO
Sheffield United 0 Charlton Athletic 3.
West Ham United 1 Blackburn Rovers 1.
LEAGUE THREE SOUTH
Colchester United 2 Queens Park Rangers 1.
Coventry City 1 Newport County 2.
Millwall 3 Crystal Palace 0.
Port Vale 0 Shrewsbury Town 0.
LEAGUE THREE NORTH
Accrington Stanley 3 Rochdale 2.
Barrow 0 Hull City 0.
Bury 1 Halifax Town 0.
Crewe Alexandra 0 Chester 3.
Gateshead 2 Bradford 4.
Mansfield Town 2 Carlisle United 0.
Glasgow Cup Semi-Final Replay
Queen's Park 1, Third Lanark 3.
Scottish League Cup Play-off First Leg
Scottish League Cup Play-off Montrose 1, Hamilton Academicals 0.—Heuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Tennis
LHC Tennis Championships: Colony Ladies' Doubles, Colony Mixed Doubles, Colony Ladies' Singles, Club Men's Open Singles, Club Men's Hoop Singles, Colony Diving Championships at LHC, 6 p.m.
Golf
Junior Golf Competition at Shek O.

TOMORROW

Tennis
LHC Tennis Championships: Colony Mixed Doubles, Club Men's Singles, Open, Club Men's Singles Handicap, Colony Ladies' Singles.
Hockey
Open Triples: Quarter-finals at KDCG, 5.30 p.m.

27 Commonwealth Territories In Cardiff Games

London, Sept. 2.
The British Empire Games, to take place next July at Cardiff, Wales, will have sports teams from 27 states or territories, it was learned here today.

Among them are Hongkong, Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, New South Wales, Pakistan, Singapore, and France-Presse.

CONCLUDING THE BILLY WRIGHT STORY

FITNESS AND HARD WORK—TWO THINGS ABOVE ALL TO WHICH HE ATTRIBUTES HIS SUCCESS

By TREVOR HILTON

Billy Wright has not been without his critics as a player, and there have been those who claim that if he had not been the 'blue-eyed boy' he would have been dropped more than once. But those critics were silenced during the World Cup of 1954, when Billy took over as centre-half, and despite his lack of height and natural aggressive, attacking style, gave wonder displays which brought praise from friend and foe alike, and stamped him as one of the truly great players of all time.

Wright is like a terrier, quite fearless and very strong on the ball; when, as he occasionally does, he attempts to burst through by himself, he is extremely hard to dispossess. His positioning is excellent, while his passing is generally accurate; playing with Wolves who favour the long, hard-hit ball, Billy seems to have lost the deadly accuracy of his short passing.

His tackling is strong, hard and ninety-nine times out of a hundred successful, and his heading is immaculate. Short for a centre-half, Billy nevertheless gets up in an amazing fashion to beat the tallest of centre-forwards. This is due to his peak fitness which enables him to leap upwards as if he were on a trampoline.

Fitness and hard work are the two things above all to which Billy attributes his success, and he makes no bones about the fact that he considers far too many of our modern youngsters do not take the game seriously enough.

He thinks there has been an overall decline in the keenness of our youngsters not only to play soccer, but to play it really well. As a kid he and his pals always had a ball with them, which they used in the school playground, the park, the rough lots and the back streets until only bedtime brought them to a stop. Today these things do not happen because there are far too many alternative amusements, including the menace of television, with the result that youngsters are taking the easy way towards amusement.

MORE HARD WORK

Billy has said that far too many youngsters, when they sign professional forms, think they have reached their goal in-

stead of just starting on the road to the top—and the only way to the top is hard work and then more hard work; and when you have reached the top you can only stay there by even more hard work.

Stanley Matthews, whose training schedule, self-imposed, would make the average young man blanch, is the ideal example: Stanley at 42 is still on top of the heap, but it is terrific self-discipline and hard work which keep him there.

Billy believes that far too many clubs are lax in their training discipline, particularly towards their younger players. He thinks that the youngsters, whether or not they have made the first team, should train every morning and have a coaching session every afternoon.

They have a pretty stiff training schedule at Molineux, as one would expect from a manager as tough and enthusiastic as Stan Cullis. And as Cullis and trainer Joe Gardiner will tell you, no one works harder than Billy Wright. I remember the criticism from other clubs and players when the Wolves reported back at Molineux after the summer break, and were immediately sent out by Cullis on a cross-country run.

Cullis greeted them with, "Well, the holiday is over," and these Wolves got down to it. At other clubs the first day of reporting back is usually spent in leisurely fashion, swapping holiday reminiscences, sorting out kit and limbering up gently. Nothing like that for the Wolves; they believe in super-fitness and there can be no doubt that there is the right policy, for they always finish fresher and stronger than their opponents. And this accounts for the number of games they have won or at least drawn with as many as three goals in the last quarter of an hour.

And there is no relaxation during the season. Monday morning they report for light training and games, which keep interest alive. They have the afternoon off. On Tuesday they start with lapping, followed by sprinting; then there is a stiff spell of P.T. and six-a-side games. In the afternoon the whole programme is done again. Wednesday morning they concentrate on ball control and then have a full-scale practice match; the afternoon is free. Thursday is a repeat of Tuesday. Friday more lapping and sprinting, and then tennis and tactical tricks in preparation for the following day's match.

That is a pretty stiff programme, but Billy Wright is always anxious for more. He is always supremely fit, and that is why he so seldom misses a game through injury. Of course, like every other player he gets knocked out but he throws them off almost overnight.

COACHING SESSIONS

It has always been most noticeable when I have attended England training and coaching sessions before an international that Wright, who works harder than anyone, always joins the group containing young newcomers. Not to boss or bully, but to encourage by example and advice. The new boy, especially the youngster, always feels a little strange when he first joins the England party; thrilled at his selection, nevertheless there is a natural tendency to be overawed and shy amongst all these famous names. In all probability he will keep in the background by himself, not wishing to intrude. But not for long. Over will come Billy with that friendly infectious grin, to chat, introduce him to the players he doesn't know and skillfully to see that the lad becomes one of the party.

Consequently, when the time comes for the lad to line up, he feels he is one of the team, amongst friends and men he knows, and those awful hidden fears of getting black looks from his seniors do not exist. Obviously he will have those butterflies in his stomach before the kick-off of his first international, and there are many famous footballers who will tell you how grateful they were in the first few minutes of their first international, to get that encouraging grin and a cheery word from skipper Wright.

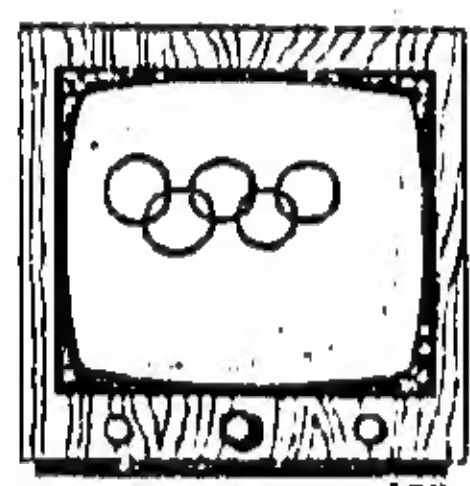
GENUINELY LIKED

I can honestly say that never once have I ever heard anyone say anything to Billy's detriment. He is genuinely liked and respected by friend and foe alike; and, by the same criterion, I have never heard Billy say anything unkind about anyone else. Yet it would be foolish to underestimate him in any way, particularly on the football field and in training.

For there is one thing Billy abhors—and that is a slacker or player who is not giving 100 per cent effort. He never gives anything less than himself and he expects his colleagues to do the same.

That is Billy Wright, the first gentleman of football, and probably the greatest captain England have ever had.

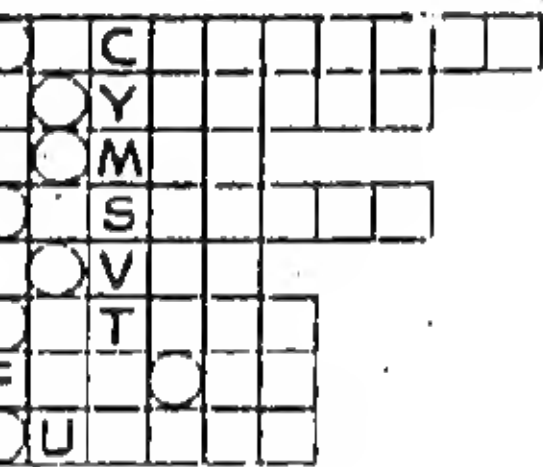
Long may that mop of fair hair adorn our football fields and be the focal point in all our international, at home and abroad.



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3. Sports
4. Linear measure
5. Competitor
6. More than yards
7. The end
8. Powerful nation
9. Railway this?
10. Australian town
11. Raked platform
12. Red ones?

NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?



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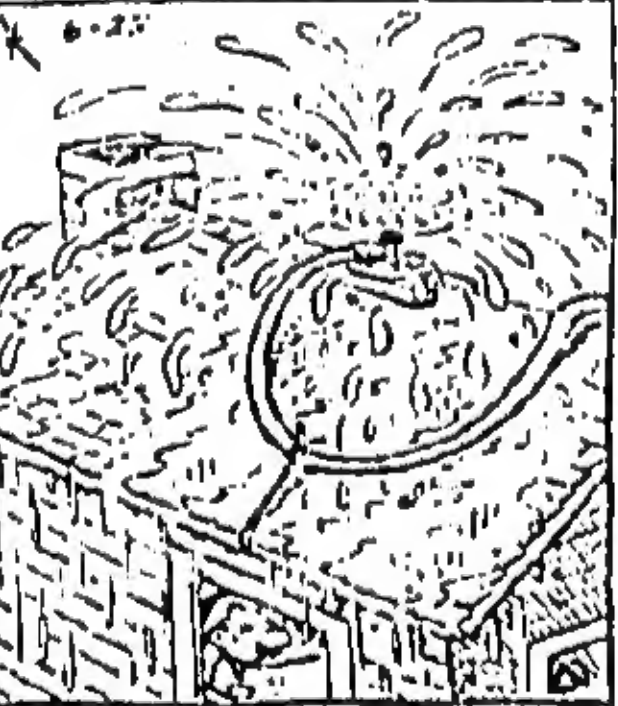
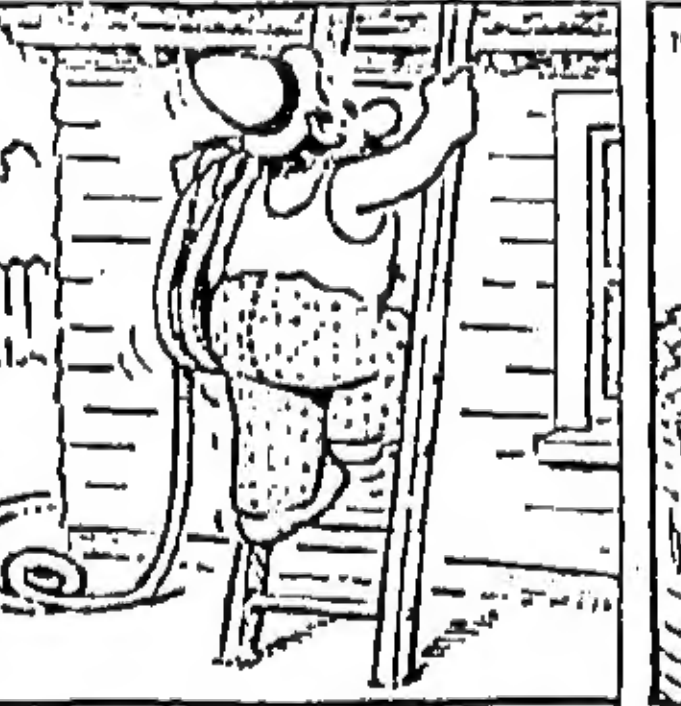
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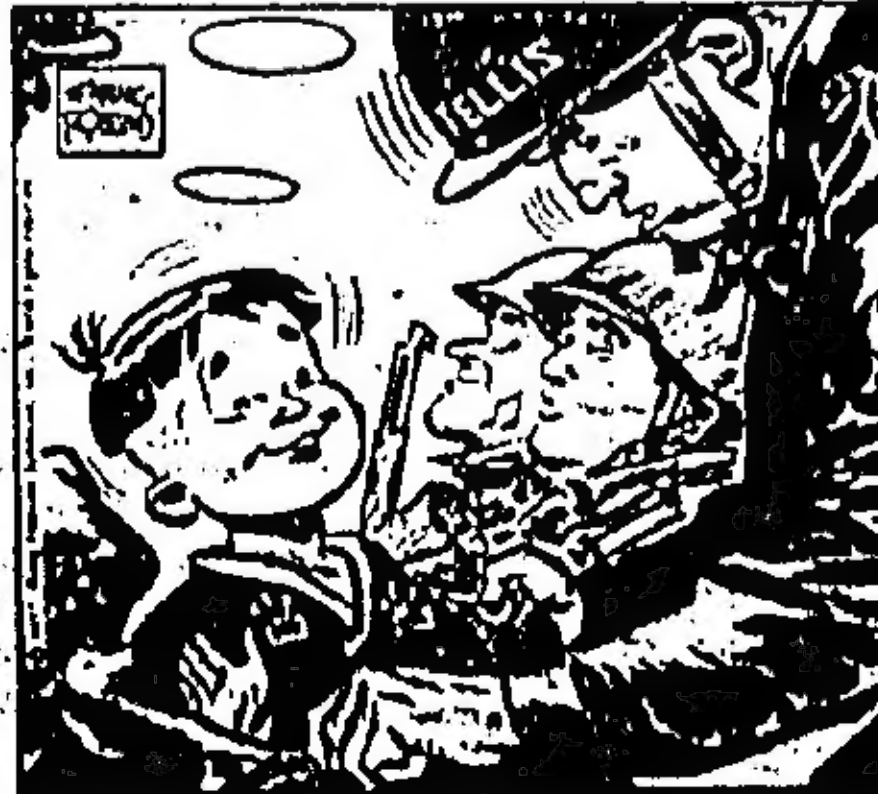


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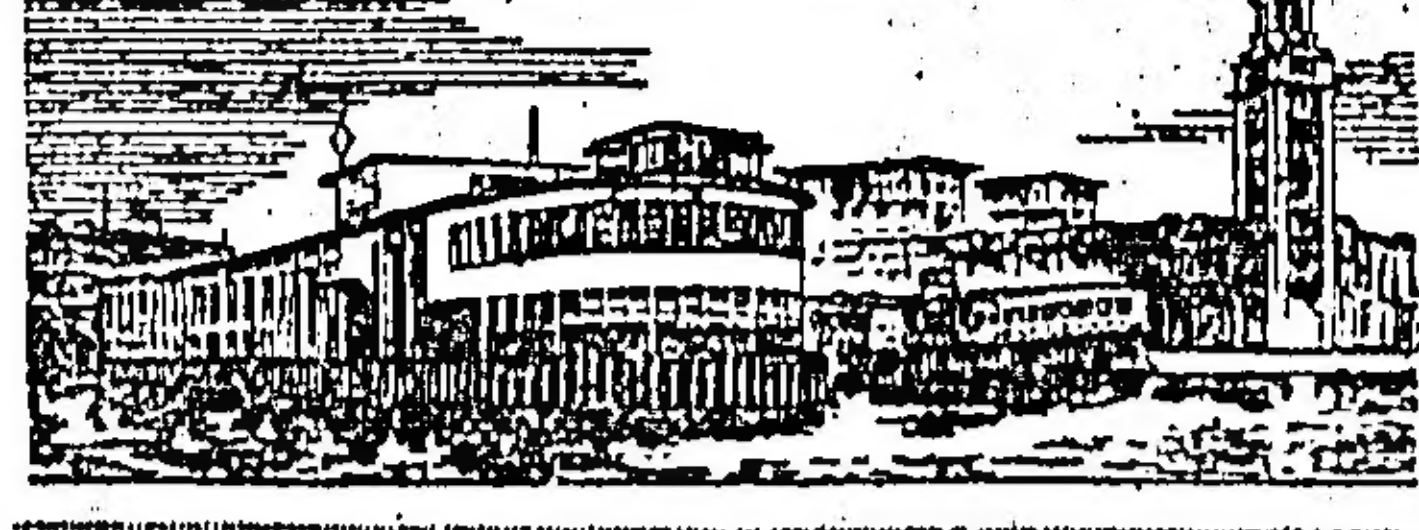


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AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Tycoon Ansett Adds ANA To Holdings

By H. KING WOOD

Sydney (By Air Mail).

A man who less than 30 years ago went broke trying to run a bus passenger service from Bendigo to Melbourne, last week figured in the greatest transport take-over in Australian history, and put through one of its biggest cash deals.

He is Mr R. M. Ansett, Managing Director of Ansett Transport Industries, who bought out Australia's second biggest airline—Australian National Airways.

Exact terms of the take-over have not been announced but it is understood that Ansett paid ANA £1,000,000 cash, will pay another £1,250,000 in 12 months time, and complete the deal with a further £1,050,000 in two years—in all £3,300,000.

The only major transport company which Ansett will not now control is the Government-managed Trans Australia Airways.

Mr Reg Ansett will now add to his not inconsiderable fleet of airliners ANA's six DC-6s, eight DC-4s, 20 DC-3s, two helicopters and three Bristol freighters.

Big Fleet

Ansett's fleet already consists of one Convair Metropolitan, two Convair 340s, four DC-4s and two flying-boats.

Ansett also have on order—and will begin taking delivery in the next few weeks—seven Convair Metropolitans—each worth £33,000 and three Lockheed Electric Turbo-prop airliners, each costing £1 million, delivery of which will begin in January, 1959.

These will be the fastest airliners in Australia, cruising at well over 400 miles an hour.

This seems to be a lot of money for one organisation to saddle itself with, but the reaction of the stock exchange has been more than favourable.

Five years ago Ansett's £1 shares were being quoted at 5/-—today they are quoted at 6/-.

Ansett's move is already causing a considerable flutter in the securities offices of TAA which hurriedly called a meeting.

MLC Building

Australia's biggest office block—the Mutual Life and Citizens building—now dominating the skyline of North Sydney was officially opened by the Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, two weeks ago.

Mr Ansett's deal will boost Ansett Transport Industries total annual turnover from £7 million to more than £20 million, whereas TAA's annual turnover is only about £10 million.

Sydney's Father

Water rates are based on a value-general valuation of property and in some cases over the last few years the water rates have doubled.

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Textile manufacturers

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This could happen, especially in the worsted and woollen yarn spinning industry, before the Australian Government became legally entitled to suspend its obligations under the agreement.

Directors were making strong representations to the Australian authorities on the subject.

Migrants

In 1956-57 non-British migrants reaching Australia exceeded the British by more than 11,000.

The totals were: British 49,537 and non-British 71,044.

To give some idea of the cosmopolitan population now inhabiting Australia, the foreign migrants last year were: 9,862 Hungarians; 7,773 Dutch; 5,862 Italian; 4,701 German; 3,466 Austrian; 3,059 Greeks; and

2,450 from Scandinavian countries.

Another 5,000 Hungarians are to be admitted this year.

Alderman Hugh Foster, a member of Sydney's waterboard, has offered to give £100 to anyone who can drink 1d. worth of water in a week.

He made this wager when defending the water rates being levied by the Waterboard for the coming year.

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Sydney's Father

Mr Edward Hallstrom has been named Sydney's “Father of the Year.”

He was given the title a few hours after being presented with a bouncing 5 lb. 10-in. high baby antelope.

The antelope is one of the hundreds of animals born at Taronga Zoo since Sir Edward has been chairman of the trust.

The award was made at a luncheon at the Australia Hotel in his honour, organised by the Father's Day Council.

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WORLD RICE REVIEW FOR SEASON

London, Sept. 2.

The production of paddy in the 1956-1957 season, outside China, is estimated at the high figure of 127,000,000 tons, of which Asia produced 113,000,000 tons.

This is revealed in the August review by the Commonwealth Economic Committee of World Production of Rice. The review states that the exports of rice during the first half of this year have exceeded the figure of a year ago.

Indications are that stocks in Burma and Thailand will not be large at the end of 1957, while smaller crops and large export sales have reduced those in the United States.

First Half

The total exports of rice in the first half of 1957, the review states, promise to exceed those in the period from January to June, 1956. Shipments from Burma are unofficially reported to have reached 1,014,000 tons, an increase of 12,000 tons, while those from Thailand rose by 283,000 tons to 850,500 tons.

An unofficial report puts exports from Vietnam and Cambodia during the first half of the year at 225,000 tons compared with 48,000 tons shipped in the whole of 1956.

During the first months of this year, consignments from the United States rose by 209,000 tons to 435,300 tons. In Italy, however, there was a decline from 85,000 tons in the first four months of the year—LPS.

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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

CONFERENCE WITH A DIFFERENCE

Ottawa Meeting Could Reshape Commonwealth Economic Relations

From C. GORDON TETHER

London, Sept. 2.

It seems unlikely that big decisions of immediate practical importance will emerge for the conference of Commonwealth Finance Ministers that is assembling at Ottawa towards the end of September at the invitation of Prime Minister Diefenbaker.

But the meeting could set in motion a reshaping of economic relations within the region that would ultimately prove of great benefit to older and newer members alike.

There have of course been frequent meetings—formal and informal—between representatives of Commonwealth countries since the end of the war to discuss economic issues of mutual interest. But the Ottawa get-together can be regarded as a conference with a difference.

Deeper Thinking

It is not only that it is being held on the initiative of a country that—because it does not share with other Commonwealth countries membership of sterling area system—has hitherto taken rather less active interest than other members in regional economic problems. In addition the Canadian Premier has made it clear that he intends to challenge Commonwealth countries to do some much deeper thinking about their economic relations than they have done up till now.

It is true that the memorandum that the Canadian Government has circulated to Commonwealth governments—setting out the agenda for a Commonwealth trade conference—is putting up for discussion at the Ottawa meeting—makes no mention of some of the major projects Mr. Diefenbaker was reported earlier to have in mind—such as re-orientation of Canada's own trade to reduce its present strong emphasis in favour of United States, the strengthening of imperial preferences, and the comprehensive review of the Ottawa trade agreements of the 1930s.

But it does include three matters of great current and future importance to all member countries. They concern problems of assistance to underdeveloped Commonwealth countries, disposal of surplus food stocks, and the maintenance of a free trade area.

Proposed Agenda

Indeed the proposed agenda is well thought out both for what it omits and for what it includes. Taking omissions first it is evident that, however much the new Canadian Government may feel it desirable to reverse in some measure the economic processes that have resulted in the great strengthening over the past few decades of Canadian ties with the United States at the expense of links with the Commonwealth, it would be impossible to make major policy changes in this field in short-term without running the risk of damaging the country's economic system in a serious way.

In the long run it might help Canada and it would almost certainly help the rest of the Commonwealth if the Dominion were to enlarge the proportion of her total purchases of raw materials and manufactured goods she obtains from the sterling area countries. For this would to some extent relieve dollar difficulties of other Commonwealth countries and thereby place them in the position to expand their purchases of Canadian goods including goods that Canada is at present having difficulty in disposing of to other markets.

But it has to be recognised that as long as Canada is included in the dollar area there is no easy way in which such diversion of her import and export trade can be brought about. And with the maintenance of her healthy external payments position dependent upon the continuance of substantial inflow of American capital, she is not likely to find it convenient to associate herself more closely with the sterling area at the present time.

Then again, no conference has been chosen as one of its main tasks the re-orientation of the Ottawa system of Commonwealth preference with a view to encouraging develop-

ment of inter-Commonwealth trade would stand much chance of being successful at the present time. The great majority of Commonwealth countries including many of the older as well as most of the new member countries—are naturally anxious to strengthen their own industrial structures, seeing in intensive development in this field their best hope of raising inadequate living standards quickly.

This being so their present inclination is to reinforce rather than abate tariff structures aimed to protect local industries against competition from abroad—including competition from industrialised countries of the Commonwealth. Any proposals that seemed likely to interfere with their freedom to tread this path would certainly meet with a cool reception.

Arrangements

By contract on three major topics that the Canadian Government has put forward for negotiations there is scope for co-operation between Commonwealth countries of the most valuable kind. Taking first the question of help for underdeveloped countries, it is known that the demand for financial backing for development in the Commonwealth grows steadily larger. Yet the United Kingdom, which has been providing money for this purpose at a rate of some £200 million annually in recent years, is so fully extended that she cannot provide any additional funds.

It is however possible that if necessary technical arrangements could be made some of the other Commonwealth countries—notably such older members as Australia, Canada and New Zealand—might be able to do a little more than they have in the past to assist newer countries. And this, even though their own large capital development programmes will not always leave them much to spare for use elsewhere.

Secondly by frontal attack on the problem of surplus stocks—such as Canada's wheat, Australia's wheat and meat and New Zealand's dairy produce—the Commonwealth might be able to ease economic problems that are cropping up in surplus countries for present lack of markets for some types of produce, and at the same time contribute to a solution of payments problems of countries like India that are hard put to cover the cost of essential food imports.

Uneasiness

Finally, discussion of economic problems arising in the Commonwealth for the proposed United Kingdom participation in the European Free Trade Area would certainly help to reduce uneasiness that many Commonwealth countries are evidently feeling about this matter. There have been signs during the past month or two that a European Free Trade Area that excludes agricultural produce from its scope may be practical impossibility owing to the unwillingness of a number of Continental countries to participate in the plan on this basis. It may well be therefore that a situation will arise wherein the plan will either have to be modified to bring agricultural products in some measure within its range or be scrapped altogether.

United Kingdom's attitude in such a situation would be of vital importance not only to Europe but also to the Commonwealth. It is most desirable therefore that the Commonwealth countries should explore these questions in good time so that when the United Kingdom does act it will have—as far as possible—support and understanding of the Commonwealth—London Express Service.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$390,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			675
HK Bank			220 @ 91

INSURANCES			
Union	99½		
Lombard	34½		

SHIPPING			
Wharfedale	7.80	7.85	5000 @ 7.80
Doek	122	120	500 @ 120

DOCKS, ETC.			
Doek	122	120	500 @ 120
Prov't (O)	12.10	12.20	1000 @ 12.20

(Rts.)	1.40		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	10.30	10½	40 @ 10½

HK Land	31	30½	300 @ 30½
Humphreys	10.10	10.20	500 @ 10.20
Amalg.	1.45	1.47½	2000 @ 1.47½

UTILITIES			
Tram	23.30	23.40	500 @ 23.40
Central	10.10	10.20	800 @ 10.20

C. Light	10½	10.60	100 @ 10.60
Electric	29.70	29.80	1000 @ 29.80
Telephone	27.70		500 @ 27.80

INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	31½	32½	250 @ 32
Rope	14.20		

SPINNING			
Dairy	10.00	10.10	500 @ 10.00
Wataco	13½		500 @ 13½

COTTONS			
Spinning	4.45		1000 @ 4.47½
MISCELLANEOUS			
Vibro	13.00		

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Prices closed at the end of the official morning session, in sterling per long ton as follows:

Copper spot	202	202½
3-month	203	203½
Lead 1st half Sept.	90½	90½
2nd half Sept.	90½	90½
Zinc 1st half Sept.	73	73½
2nd half Sept.	73	73½

In the afternoon, the copper market was easier while lead and zinc were quiet but steady. Turnover in the afternoon was 350, 180 and 450 tons for copper, lead and zinc respectively.

At the end of the unofficial afternoon session, prices closed in sterling per long ton as follows:

Copper spot	202½	203½
3-month	203½	204½
Lead 1st half Sept.	90½	90½
2nd half Sept.	90½	90½
Zinc 1st half Sept.	73½	73½
2nd half Sept.	73½	73½

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LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

The American markets were closed yesterday owing to the Labour Day holiday.

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

Singapore, Sept. 2. The market opened lower on disappointing overseas advices but it stood on short covering especially of September position.

There was a good interest for lower sheets but sellers were reserved and the market was generally quiet with little factory interest. Futures:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Sept.	80-81½
No. 2 rubber per lb. Sept.	79½-80½
No. 3 rubber per lb. Sept.	78½-79½
Spot rubber unbleached	78½-79½
Market crop	100-101
No. 1 pale crepe	100-101

LONDON
The rubber market was very quiet with spot quoted at 26½ pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 rubber spot	26-26½
Settlement house term:	
October	26-26½
November	26½-27
December	27-27½
January/February	27½-28
March/April	28-28½
May/June	28½-29
July/August	29-29½
General market, c/c basis, normal	26½-27
September	26½-27
October	26½-27
November	26½-27

AMSTERDAM
The rubber market was very quiet today. Prices closed in guilders per kilogram, c/c Sept. as follows:

No. 1 rubber	2.55 paid
No. 2 rubber	2.54 nom.
No. 3 rubber	2.53 nom.
No. 1 crepe	2.51 buyers

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Sept. 2. The tin market was steady during the morning session. Spot was marked down ¼ and 3-months ½ to ¾35½ and ¾36¼, respectively. Turnover was 60 tons.

Prices closed at the end of the official morning session, in sterling per long ton as follows:

Spot	73½ buyers
3-month	73½ business
	73½ buyers
	73½ business
	73½ settlement

In the afternoon session, the market was steady but quiet. Spot was unchanged at 73½½ and 3-month rose ½ to 73¾½, turnover was 20 tons. Prices closed at the end of the unofficial afternoon session, in sterling per long ton as follows:

Spot	73½ buyers
3-month	73½ business
	73½ buyers
	73½ business
	73½ settlement

LONDON QUIETLY FIRM

London, Sept. 2. The stock market was quietly firm today. Gilt-edged securities lost ground in the face of tomorrow's gold reserve figures and closed with losses up to ½.

Oil shares closed higher. Shell rose 5½ to 197½ in allowance of quarterly figures expected soon.

Industrial shares were selective but firm. Imperial Chemicals dipped 1½.

Gold shares were inclined to ease and copper reacted after early firmness.—United Press.

AMERICANS HOPING FOR BETTER TRADE WITH MALAYA NOW

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Sept. 2.

American financial circles are strongly hopeful for the economic growth of the Federation of Malaya which embarked on a new chapter in its long history last Saturday as the newest self-governing member of the British Commonwealth.

They envision some loosening up of commercial ties between the United States and Malaya, possibly leading ultimately to an expansion of two-way trade and an increase in the flow of American investments to that area.

These circles point out that basically the internal economic situation in Malaya is good. If rubber and tin prices hold up in 1958 these two commodities accounted for more than two-thirds of the country's US\$750-million export—there is a good chance that the budget will be balanced this year. Although Malaya had a trade imbalance of \$4 million in the first quarter, the trend was expected to be reversed by the end of the year, leaving the overall export-import account in balance or close to it.

In 1958, exports of Singapore to Malaya totaled US\$4,100,000, against imports of US\$4,153,000,000. Rubber and tin prices have held fairly stable this year, another encouraging factor.

THE KEY

In the view of experts here, the key to Malaya's economic progress lies in the success of the Federation's five-year development programme aimed at improving transportation, power and agriculture.

The project calls for an expenditure of US\$1,358 billion for capital development in the 1956-60 period, with the bulk of this outlay expected to be financed by the Federation. The United Kingdom has agreed to lend US\$320 million during this period.

American banking sources, however, insist that the five-year programme may suffer a setback unless some substantial assistance and investment is obtained from abroad. Otherwise, they point out, the low level of internal savings may make it necessary to resort to higher taxation and possible even some deficit financing.

Legislation by the Federation guaranteeing favourable climate for the remittance of dividends for foreign companies and for the repatriation of capital will go a long way toward attracting such overseas investments these sources emphasize.

PLUS AND MINUS

American financial quarters view the plus and minus elements in the Federation's economy in the following terms:

★ 1. Malaya is considered one of the most prosperous countries in Asia, with a per capita income of about US\$235, next to Singapore the highest in Southeast Asia. Extrale export markets and the insurance activities have, however, cut heavily into Government revenues and slowed down the expansion of agriculture and mining production.

Under a Government-sponsored project launched in 1951 to lower rubber production costs by replanting with improved varieties, only a quarter of the proposed acreage has been replaced with higher yielding rubber trees. Other cash crop—oil palm, tea—have also suffered from insecurity in rural areas, as has the raising of food for domestic consumption.

In addition production of tin ore, the most important mineral, has likewise been held back, barely reaching prewar levels, plagued by mounting costs and heavy taxes. Tin output in 1954 and 1955 totaled 61,000 tons, increasing only to 62,000 tons in 1956. Despite increased production of tin plate, technological advances in tinplating has kept world consumption at a fairly even level. If the insurrectionist uprisings can be contained—and indications are that considerable progress is being made in this direction—Malaya can get on more rapidly with a urgent development programme. In the opinion of these experts.

★ 2. The Federation's overall financial position is

American Steel Production Reaches New High

Cleveland, Sept. 2.

United States mills produced a total 2,112,000 net tons of steel last week, pushing the all-time record for first eight months of any year to 78.6 million tons.

The figure represented a 6.2 million-ton increase over the corresponding period for 1956, according to Steel Magazine.

Last week's yield—82.1 per cent of rated industrial capacity—continued the steady advance of three consecutive weeks and prompted hopes among producers that output would continue to rise.

The weekly magazine predicted "significant improvement" in steel demand would begin during the last quarter among producers of machine tools, foundry equipment and industrial furnaces.

ENCOURAGEMENT
Steel said the tool builders are most optimistic because of reports about three "major" automobile projects, tooling for which would have to be ordered this autumn.

Foundries will probably increase buying, Steel predicted, because of renewed demands for castings from railroad car builders and giants among the automobile and appliance producers.

The Metal Working Weekly also pointed with encouragement.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1. Victorious, 2. Olympics, 3. Games, 4. Distance, 5. Rival, 6. Metres, 7. Finish, 8. Russia, 9. Track, 10. Melbourne, 11. Rostrum, 12. Tapes, Vladimir Kuts.

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